

Town and County.

—Most delightful fall weather, this.

—Plenty of grass seeds at Blackburn's.

—As we close our forms the Farmers' Institute is in session at the court house with a goodly number present.

—Mr. J. C. Cook of Caldwell is opening a new and complete line of general merchandise in the Watauga County Bank Building.

—Our popular young physician, Dr. Ronda Hardin, is off to Charlotte this week, on business, to be sure.

—We failed to note in our last issue that Miss Bertha Stanbury, a member of the faculty at the State Normal, had left for Greensboro to resume her work.

—Rev. D. P. Waters will preach the funeral of the late Mrs. Alley Jones, at Meat Camp church on next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

—Mr. George L. Story of Blue Ridge township, declares himself an independent candidate for the Legislature—his card to be found elsewhere in this paper.

—Rev. J. C. Carlton has recently purchased the handsome residence of Mr. J. F. Robbins in East Boone.

—Always something new coming in at Blackburn's. New clothing. In this line he has an immense stock to select from. Real values guaranteed. \$11 to \$20 per suit.

—Just after leaving Lenoir last Monday, two beautiful bird dogs fell in the team of ex-Sheriff J. W. Hodges, and followed on to Boone. Owner can get them by calling for same, and paying for this notice.

—On account of the fearfully bad weather on Thursday and Friday last week, the Cottrell auction sale was postponed, but it is billed for the first Monday in Oct. Many splendid bargains are being added to the stock.

—The Confederate Reunion last week, owing to the steady down-pour of rain, was very poorly attended, only a small per cent of the members of the Camp being on hand. Those present, however, seemed to enjoy the occasion very much.

—Ex-Sheriff John W. Hodges returned from Morganton Monday, where he had been to deliver to the authorities at the Western Hospital Mrs. Jesse Hodges, of Blue Ridge township, whose mind has been fearfully impaired of late.

—Mrs. Mattie Toppings at the central phone office is decidedly in the lead in raising a giant sun flower, she having one slightly oblong, that measures 21 inches in diameter, with a net circumference of 70 inches. Now, come on if you can beat this.

—The people of Boone were delighted the first of the week over a visit from Mrs. Alice Council, of Hickory, who has spent the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Emma Taylor, at Blowing Rock Hotel. She left Tuesday morning for the Rock, and, after a short visit to friends at Valle Crucis, will return to her home. She is looking well, and despite her advanced age, is enjoying the best of health, since her recent slight illness.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I take this opportunity of announcing myself as an independent candidate to represent the people of Watauga county in the next legislature. I will discuss the issues upon which I desire the votes of the people regardless of party during the campaign. I believe in honest issues and honest government and believe in doing after election to office just what you promised to do before election.

Respectfully,
G. L. STORIE.

—Dress goods of all descriptions at Blackburn's Prices right.

—J. M. Moretz, Chairman of the County Board of Elections, announces that G. W. Caudell is appointed Register in Shawnee-haw township in place of Shirley Caudell, and C. P. Todd in Bald Mountain township instead of W. L. Davis.

—The fourth and last quarterly conference for the Boone circuit, for this year, will be held in the Methodist church in Boone on Saturday and Sunday week. The official members of the various churches and others interested, will please take notice.

—The cabbage wagons are now busy transporting that toothsome mountain product to Lenoir. Mr. Will Hayes tells us that he has so far marketed \$100.00 worth out of his patch, and is still hauling. The crop so far as we can learn, is not as good as usual by a great deal.

—Friend Eli Long, who some weeks ago, was right seriously hurt by a team running away with him in Montana, has returned to his home at Shulls Mills, where he is slowly recovering from his injuries. He hopes to be able to return west with his family by early in November.

—Mrs. Sarah Ford, widow of the late Wm. Ford, of Blowing Rock, R. F. D., was a most pleasant caller at our office Monday, having come to town on business before the Clerk of the Court Farthing. Mrs. Ford is one of our valued subscribers and came in to renew and join the Democrat-Charlotte Observer family as she says, she must keep up with the news.

—Miss Annie Toppings, who has been spending a few days with her step-mother, Miss Mattie Toppings, in Boone, has returned to Blowing Rock, where she will remain a few days before she leaves for Scranton, Penn., to go in training for a nurse. After the death of their father, the three little girls were sent to the Thomasville Orphanage. Miss Ethel is a student at the State Normal and Miss Mable is a pupil at the Training School in Boone. The three plucky little ladies are to be congratulated upon their advancement.

—At the recent Convention of the people of Watauga County, there seemed to be two things that were especially pleasing and highly entertaining to all present, and those were the addresses delivered by Mesdames W. W. Stringfellow and Lindsay Patterson. It is a pleasure to us to announce that Mrs. Stringfellow has furnished us with a copy and the same will appear in our columns next week. We consider ourselves fortunate in procuring this one, but are sorry that, so far, we have been unable to get Mrs. Patterson's.

—Both of the new steel county bridges are now in place, and the work has been inspected and received by the county commissioners. In each instance a considerable amount of work will have to be done on approaches, and a goodly number of hands are on the jobs; it being the intention to get the roads and bridges open for travel in the very near future. The bridges are among the county's most valuable assets, and our Representatives, who made their erection possible, are certainly to be congratulated.

—At the Republican Congressional Convention held in Taylorsville last Friday, Solicitor Frank A. Linney, of Boone, was nominated, and will make the race against the Hon. Robert L. Doughton in this district. Frank is not one of the kind who considers "a bird in the hand worth two in a bush," as, for a number of years, he has enjoyed without opposition, the office of Solicitor in this district, and now he voluntarily resigns that office to make a battle for preferment against one of the strongest Congressmen from North Carolina, with a majority of more than 3,000 to begin with. To the casual observer, it would seem that F. A. will have a hard battle ere he dons the Congressional toga.

Commence!

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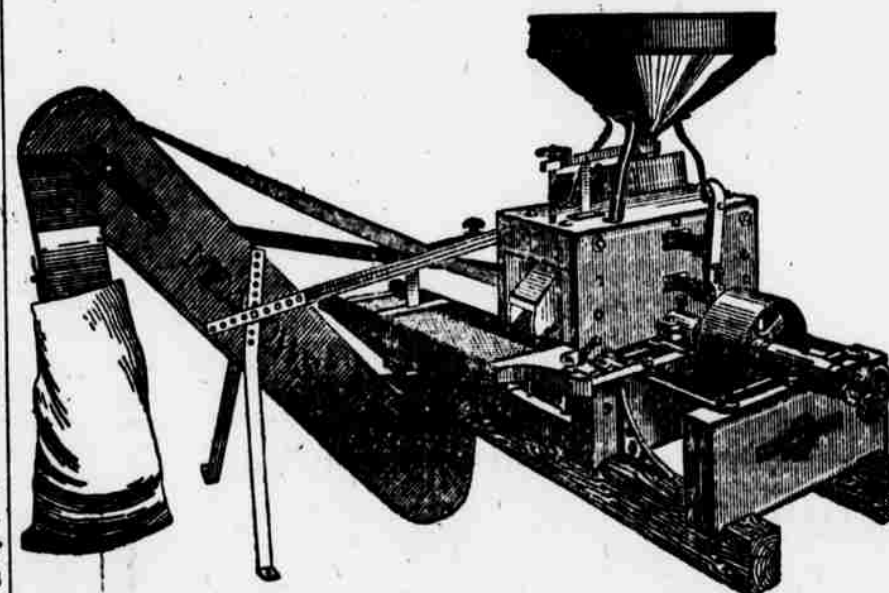
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